

**IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE**

IN RE APPLICATION OF:  
**MING ZHENG, ET AL.**

APPLICATION NO.:  
**10/630,613**

FILED:  
**JULY, 2003**

FOR:  
**PRODUCTION OF NANOPARTICLES HAVING A  
DEFINED NUMBER OF LIGANDS**

GROUP ART UNIT:  
**1634**

EXAMINER:  
**BETTY FORMAN**

ATTORNEY DOCKET NO.:  
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**AMENDMENT AND RESPONSE TO THE FINAL OFFICE ACTION**  
**UNDER 37 C.F.R. § 1.113, MAILED SEPTEMBER 29, 2006**

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Sir:

Applicants respond to the Final Office Action mailed on September 29, 2006. Please amend the above-identified application as set forth below and consider the following remarks. Under 37 C.F.R. § 1.136(a), this response also includes a petition for a one-month extension of time to respond to said Office Action.

**Amendments to the Claims** are reflected in the listing of claims, which begin on page 2 of this Response.

**Remarks/Arguments** to the Final Office Action begin on page 8 of this Response.